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SUBJECT: COLOMBIAN SHIPPING MEASURE

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS LEARNED FURTHER DETAILS ON SHIPPING AGREEMENT REPORTED REFTEL. AGROMAR IS A COLOMBIAN-FLAG LINE THAT PROVIDES A TURN-AROUND SERVICE BETWEEN THE NORTH COAST OF COLOMBIA AND BRAZIL. IT HAD AGREED TO CHARTER SPACE ABOARD NORTHBOUND VESSELS OF WESTFAL-LARSEN, A NORWEGIAN-FLAG LINE WHOSE VESSELS CONTINUE ON THROUGH THE STRAITS OF MAGELLAN AND UP THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AMERICA TO COLOMBIAN PACIFIC PORTS.

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2. PRUDENTIAL INFORMS US THAT THE DIRECCION GENERAL MARITIMA Y PORTUARIA HAS DECIDED NOT TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT, BECAUSE IN THIS TRADE ROUTE WESTFAL-LARSEN IS A THIRD-FLAG, NOT A NATIONAL-FLAG CARRIER. CONSEQUENTLY, AGROMAR IS NOW NEGOTIATING WITH ELMA, THE ARGENTINE STATE LINE, AND WITH A BRAZILIAN LINE, POSSIBLY LOIDE BRASILERO, TO CHARTER SPACE ON THEIR VESSELS FOR THE NORTHBOUND TRADE

ALONG THE WEST COAST. END RESULT WOULD BE THE SAME, APPARENTLY: PRUDENTIAL WOULD BE SHUT OUT OF THE NORTH-BOUND TRADE FROM ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL TO COLOMBIAN PACIFIC PORTS.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO APPROACH APPROPRIATE COLOMBIAN AUTHORITIES TO ATTEMPT TO CONFIRM REPORT THAT AGROMAR NOW NEGOTIATING AN AGREEMENT WITH ELMA AND A BRAZILIAN LINE, FOLLOWING TURNDOWN OF AGREEMENT WITH WESTFALLARSEN. CHRISTOPHER

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